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For: Method of Pretreating Lignocellulose Fiber-Containing Material for the Pulp Making Process

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- () A small entity statement was previously submitted in this application.
() A small entity statement is enclosed.
() A filing fee for extra claims does not appear required.
(XX) A filing fee for extra claims is calculated below:

	No. of Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest No. of Claims Previously Paid For	No. of Extra Claims	Fee For Small Entity		Fee For Other Than Small Entity	
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Total	15	22	00	x \$9 = \$		x \$18 = \$	
Indep.	04	03	01	x \$39 = \$		x \$78 = \$78	
() First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claims				+ \$130 = \$		+ \$260 = \$	
				TOTAL = \$		TOTAL = \$78	

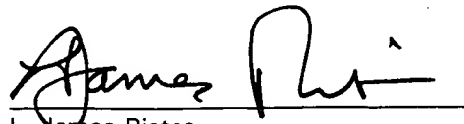
- (XX) A check in the amount of \$78 is attached.
(XX) It is hereby petitioned that any required extension of time be granted for filing the amendment. An extension of 2 month(s) having a fee of \$ 380 appears required.
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